

DISTRICT VI ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

Monday
November 4, 2002
7:00 p.m.

Evergreen Recreation Center
2700 N. Woodland
Lounge Clubroom

The District VI Advisory Board meeting was held at 7:00 p.m. at Evergreen Recreation Center located at 2700 N. Woodland. In attendance were (10) District Advisory Board Members, (6) City staff members and (19) citizens. Approximately (35) were in attendance.

Members Present

Dick Rumsey
Maurine Willis
Annie Best
Linda Matney
Jaya Escobar
Kyle Irvin-youth
Rosalie Bradley
Bob Wine
David Pendergraft
John Cohoon
Terri Dozal
Sharon Fearey

Members Absent

Bickley Foster
Bob Schreck
Florena Schneweis

Guest(s)

Listed at end

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Council Member Fearey called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed guests, as well as asking DAB members to introduce themselves and the area they represented.

Approval of Minutes

October 7, 2002 minutes were approved with the following amendments
(**Pendergraft/Willis 9-0**)

- 1 Page 4: **Member Pendergraft** stated there is already additional traffic enforcement from 21st to 29th instead of asking for an increase of enforcement as stated.
- 2 Page 5: the last update should read tentative approval on EMS instead of the 25th street Bridge. Commissioner Norton never spoke to **Council Member Martz** about the 13th street Bridge.

Approval of Agenda

A revised agenda to adjust presentations for speakers to attend other DAB meetings was approved. (**Bradley/Wine 9-0**)

PUBLIC AGENDA

No items were submitted

STAFF PRESENTATIONS

1. Community Police Report

Officer Paul Kimble Beat 49 for Patrol North introduced himself as the new Community Police Officer and said he was already working on the 36th and Womer used car lot display

happening on weekends. We have put in **No Parking** signs and this appears to be working. Also, the Word of Life Church School was using canon fire during the football games when they scored. *Kimble* has been talking with the pastor to get the noise from the canon reduced. With Christmas and Thanksgiving around the corner, we will be busy so contact me through Patrol North at 688-9500 or leave a message at the Neighborhood City Hall (NCH).

Officer Glen Kyle Beat 11 coordinator for Patrol West also introduced himself as the new Community Police Officer. Kyle commented there is a rash of burglaries in the neighborhoods along with car larcenies. Please keep your cars locked and your garage doors down. Contact me at Patrol West at 941-0673.

Council Member Fearey commented Officer Ryan had been injured on duty trying to stop a shoplifter and also is a proud papa of a new baby boy.

*******Action Taken: Receive and File**

2. **Trash Collection Franchise**

Joe Pajor, Pubic Works gave a PowerPoint presentation on the concept of franchising solid waste collection. The advantages and disadvantages were presented, as well as a sampling of the questions that would need to be addressed if such a concept was to be developed for Wichita. Current solid waste haulers are opposed to the idea of changing from the present "free market" system.

Several trash-hauling companies were present to express their opinions as to why the City should not change the system we now have. Following are some of there comments:

- Can put companies out of business
- Cost comparison
- Other cities franchised without displacing haulers
- Landfill opening in Harper = lower tipping fees
- Treat trash as a utility like the telephone and cable
- Taking away choice
- Small hauler = totally limited future for growth
- Anytime City takes over they mess it up
- The talk of franchise has limited my company

Comments and concerns from Members were expressed on the following: (1) the different rates residents are paying now for trash service and the quality of service provided; (2) would there be any additional costs to the City for this program; (3) why are we considering City franchising; (4) would recycling be included in this program; (5) negative impact on the local trash collectors business, especially the small businesses; (6) restricting our choice for trash hauling in the city and, 7) removing trash at the lowest rate is the bottom line.

Fearey asked **Council Member Gale** to explain why the City Council was looking into the franchising? **Gale** responded several of the Council Members were interested and we asked staff to look into this partly because of the new neighborhood nuisance ordinances. **Fearey** proceeded to say that there is nothing to vote on now; we just want to collect public comments.

*******Action taken: (Pendergraft/Matney 7-2 Willis/Wine) to discontinue trash-franchising discussion.**

Member Pendergraft stated to the haulers, you need to work harder with community to serve community by offering:

- Best trash service
- Free market
- Commitment from haulers

Member Willis, Sherwood Glen NA asked me to vote in favor of franchise for our neighborhood.

Member Best stated she is in support of franchise but wanted the City to look at solutions to lower trash cost.

Break taken at 8:55 p.m. and returned at 9: 05 p.m.

3. **Waterline along Nevada Street, between 16th and 17th Street**

Rob Younkin, city staff presented the proposed improvement district for a waterline along Nevada Street, between 16th and 17th Streets. Younkin stated a petition representing 60% of the improvement district area had been submitted in support of the project. **Member Bradley** asked if the separation between # 13 and 24, would the line go to 17th street? Younkin responded yes.

***** **Action Taken:** Motion to approve proposed waterline. (Wine/Matney 9-0)

4. **Environmental Health Codes**

Mark Bradshaw, Environmental Health Supervisor provided an update on *Premise Condition Code Enforcement for third quarter 2002*. Bradshaw's department works closely with Office of Central Inspection, Community Police and Public works allowing City staff to do more nuisance abatement and increase the number of properties that are to be cleaned up and mowed. Due to this process fewer premise condition court cases are now being seen. A lot more properties have been brought into compliance this year. We will soon be reporting this to City Council.

There were no questions from the public or DAB members.

***** **Action taken:** Receive and file.

BOARD AGENDA

5. **Interfaith Ministries programs**

Karole Bradford, Interfaith Ministries Program Director discussed the following programs *Celebrate Safely, Operation Holiday, Faith in Action* and *Go-Zone programs*. Pamphlets were handed out on each program.

Faith in Action is funded through the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation for senior citizens.

Go Zones have 3 sites for middle and elementary schools.

St. Paul's Methodist Church is for Middle and High School age youth

El Mesias Church holds tutoring and healthy activities for free.

Operation Holiday has been held for 20 years. We need a lot of help, canned food and warm coats this year.

Celebrate Safely campaign is for celebrating the New Year without gunfire. We invite everyone to participate.

Member Pendergraft asked Ms. Bradford if she could attend a **Wichita Independent Neighborhood (WIN)** meeting and discuss her programs. Ms. Bradford stated she would attend the meeting.

***** **Action Taken: Receive and File**

6. **Problem Properties**

- **Member Pendergraft** asked what are the requirements for food selling trucks along the streets? The neighborhood assistant will contact Ted Cooper with Environmental Health and set up a presentation on this topic at a future DAB meeting.
- 3144 N. Jackson has no trash service
- **Member Willis** wanted to thank the City for helping with No Parking signs at the problem used car lot area.
- Drainage pond at I-235 at Zoo and Smith Ct, behind Presbyterian Manor has a lack of maintenance and needs trash cleanup.

***** **Action Taken: Receive and propose appropriate action.**

7. **Neighborhood Reports**

La Placita Park: will be holding an Election Watch Party on November 5th.

Riverside Citizens Association: will be hosting their annual Chili Supper on Tuesday, November 12th.

Orchard Park: Trailer Court on 13th and Doris are being removed. The City staff looked into its deficiencies.

North Riverside: November 18, 2002, we will hold a school presentation because of school parking problems in the neighborhood. 13th and Bitting, all the houses have been sold. The Mobile Home Court has been sold to someone in Andover. More mobile homes will be put in.

Indian Hills Jerry Prichard asked about Noise ordinance for the fiesta in September at Twin Lakes. **Council Member Fearey** responded this was still on her list to come up with a solution for large events. We are looking at identifying parks in the city for having large noisy events, possibly Sedgwick County Park or McAdams. Somewhere that there is no residential to disturb.

Member Escobar stated the Fiesta at Twin Lakes the noise level was loud due to low clouds causing an echo. The volume was turned down once. It was a great event with 10,000 people. Great response from the community

Indian Hills-Riverbend on Nov. 16th will have a Neighborhood clean up. Also, on Oct. 6th Hungarian guard dogs at 17th & Meridian streets attacked a woman.

***** **Action Taken: Receive and file**

COUNCIL MEMBER UPDATES

- a) Discussion on the vacant land south of 13th St. North and west of Doris, where egrets are congregating. *I believe that the Kansas Dept of Wildlife and Parks could provide some support and information on this. KDWP will try to do something this week as far as current conditions, property ownership and a tour of the area. They will try to assist with noisemakers and other deterrents next March to move them elsewhere when the birds migrate back.*
- b) N. Meridian at Keywest near Moorings the east sidewalk is buckled. *The repair is going to be done under project warranty.*
- c) Police Staffing percentages and Traffic analysis. *Memo enclosed.*
- d) First and Second Street Outfall. *Sunflower NA would be holding their first meeting with the City on this topic.*

- e) Sewer Benefit district. *Sewer project in the Riverview area, north of 37th. the whole area will be done with a \$300 charge to residents. This will be better than the previous proposal. No more septic tanks in the area. To be reviewed at the December DAB meeting.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1 DAB Retreat set for the December meeting
- 2 Neighborhood Forum for January 18, 2003
- 3 MPDS Mass Pharmaceutical Disaster training to take place in early 2003.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 9:59 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Terri Dozal
6th District Neighborhood Assistant

Guests

Denise Scobee	1625 W. 32 nd N, 67204
Chris Ballinger	405 N. Baehr, 67212
Vera Ochsner	1716 N. Nevada, 67212
Mrs. Melwyn Steven	1700 N. Nevada 67212
Jonathan & Donita Sellin	3054 Arkansas Ave. 67204
Dexter, Denny, Drue, Dillon	
Tina, and Dixon, David Sellin	3054 Arkansas Ave. 67204
Karole Bradford	Interfaith Ministries 829 N. Market, 67214
Eric Eliss	604 S. Chase
Jodie Williams	1740 Fairview
Joel Elsea	9432 Wyncroft, 67205
Juan C. Esqueda	2530 N. Mascot, 67206
Gary Black	4330 W, 31 st South, 67215

Staff

Rob Younkin	Public Works
Joe Pajor	Public Works
Paul Kimble	Patrol North
Glen Kyle	Patrol West